## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Nekka MATSUURA, et al. GAU:

SERIAL NO: New Divisional Application **EXAMINER:** 

FILED: Herewith

FOR: IMAGE PROCESSING SYSTEM FOR COMPRESSING IMAGE DATA INCLUDING BINARY

IMAGE DATA AND CONTINUOUS TONE IMAGE DATA BY A SUB-BAND TRANSFORM

METHOD WITH A HIGH-COMPRESSION RATE

## REQUEST FOR PRIORITY

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

## SIR:

- Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number 10/423,911, filed April 28, 2003, and U.S. Application Serial Number 10/175,838, filed June 21, 2002, U.S. Patent No. 6,577,812, issued June 10, 2003 and U.S. Patent No. 6,459,816, issued October 1, 2002 is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §120.
- ☐ Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Provisional Application Serial Number , is claimed pursuant , filed to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119(e).
- Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119, as noted below.

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority:

COUNTRY	APPLICATION NUMBER	MONTH/DAY/YEAR
Japan	9-118207	May 8, 1997
Japan	9-156006	May 29, 1997
Japan	9-156007	May 29, 1997
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- are submitted herewith
- □ will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee
- were filed in prior application Serial No. 09/073,873 filed May 7, 1998
- were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application Number Receipt of the certified copies by the International Bureau in a timely manner under PCT Rule 17.1(a) has been acknowledged as evidenced by the attached PCT/IB/304.
- ☐ (A) Application Serial No.(s) were filed in prior application Serial No. filed ; and
- ☐ (B) Application Serial No.(s)
  - are submitted herewith
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